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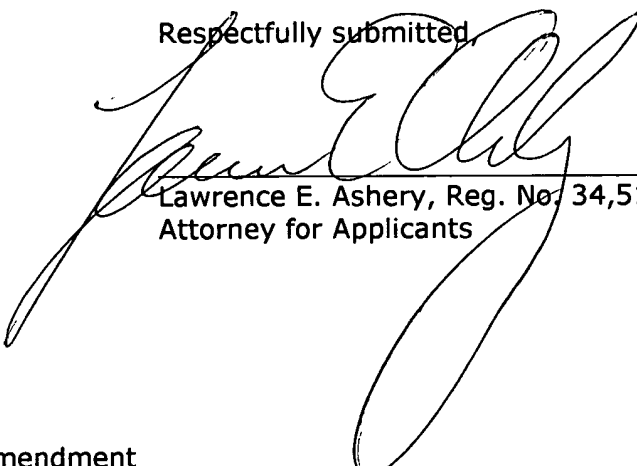
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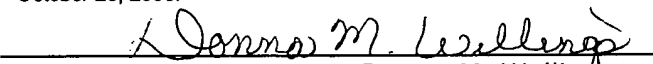
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wherein a number of candidate words stored according to the first determining criterion when within the word is independent of the second determining criterion, and

the second ~~hypothesis-storage~~ determining criterion selects a subset of hypothetic candidate words from among the at least one hypothetic candidate words selected according to the first ~~hypothesis-storage~~ determining criterion, the subset of candidate words selected according to a predetermined number of upper ranking recognition scores.

4. (Cancelled).

5. (Currently Amended) A program product for causing a computer to executeing a method, said method comprising:

a feature-amount extracting step for extracting a feature amount based on a processing frame of an input utterance;

a storing step for determining whether a current processing frame is within or at the end of at least one candidate word within a hypothesis ~~previously registered, the at least one candidate word developed from the hypothesis,~~ and storing the one or more candidate words on the basis of a first hypothesis-storage determining criterion when within the word and on the basis of a second hypothesis-storage determining criterion when at the word end;

a developing step for developing thea hypothesis, ~~the hypothesis-being-at least one hypothetic candidate word, each the hypothetic candidate word within the hypothesis~~ selected from ~~candidate words previously registered, by extending utterance segments~~ to at least one processing frame following the current processing frame to expressing the hypothetic candidate word when thea stored candidate word is within the word and by joining a new ~~hypothetic~~ candidate word to follow according to an inter-word connection rule when at the word end;

an operating step of computing, ~~in the frame~~ a similarity measure between thea ~~frame~~ feature amount extracted from the input utterance and a frame-based

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